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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to an Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 17, 2003 (hereinafter, the "Office Action"). This response is due on February 17, 2003, with a petition for a two-month extension of time and appropriate fee. No additional fees are believed to be due; however, should any fees be necessary in connection with this document, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Marshall, Gerstein & Borun, LLP deposit account number 13-2855.

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the complete listing of claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.